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Attorney's Docket No.: 29248/AP01949



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**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IMPROVING VEHICLE OPERATOR  
PERFORMANCE**

the specification of which:



is attached hereto



was filed on:

October 12, 2001

as U.S. Serial No.:

09/976,989

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(if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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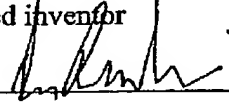
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